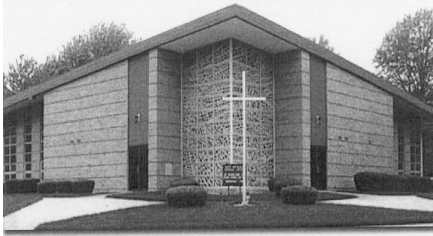


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Third Sunday of Easter April 10, 2016

Sing the glory
of the Lord's name!



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We, the people of St. Michael's Catholic Parish, are many parts, but one body. As a community of believers in Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we celebrate the sacraments, are challenged by Sacred Scripture and Roman Catholic Tradition, share of ourselves in service to others, and strive to promote the dignity of all human life and justice for all, as we continue toward the eternal glory of God's kingdom.

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4:00 P.M. Saturday or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Is celebrated by request. Notify the office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the office to set a date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Wedding dates are set after
an initial interview with Fr. John.

FROM THE PASTOR . . .

The Easter Season is the time of year in which we celebrate the sacraments of initiation. Last weekend we had a lovely celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation for our 10th grade students. In three weeks time, we will celebrate First Communion with our second graders. In this celebration, our second graders will be joining their parents and family around the table of the Lord as they receive the most precious body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist. As a parish family, let us pray and support these youth that they are truly ready to receive this most holy sacrament.

In the gospel this weekend, we see that the disciples are back at the Sea of Galilee in the place where they met Jesus for the very first time. They have returned to fishing, but there is a difference in these men. This time they recognize Jesus, and they obediently follow his advice and are capable of catching 153 fish. When they come to shore, they join Jesus for a meal.

After this meal, we hear the great commissioning of Peter to shepherd Jesus' flock, that is the Church. Not once, but three times Jesus asked Peter, "Do you love me?" Then Peter responds, "Yes, Lord, I love you." Peter is hurt that Jesus asks this question three times, but it is in asking this question that Jesus gently reminds Peter of the three times he denied the Lord. By those three questions, Jesus is letting Peter know that this denial is now completely forgiven. Jesus wants Peter and the rest of the disciples to leave Galilee and begin the work of "catching" human beings in the net of faith, the Church!

*Peace,
Fr. John*

Growing In Faith?: How grateful am I to receive Jesus in the Eucharist?

Laudato Si' Encyclical —

The Good News People present sections from the concluding chapters of Pope Francis's encyclical, **Laudato Si'** (Praise Be to You). The encyclical is subtitled, *On Care for Our Common Home*.

It is essential to show special care for indigenous communities and their cultural traditions. They are not merely one minority among others, but should be the principal dialogue partners, especially when large projects affecting their land are proposed. For them, land is not a commodity but rather a gift from God and from their ancestors who rest there. When they remain on their land, they themselves care for it best. Nevertheless, in various parts of the world, pressure is being put on them to abandon their homeland to make room for agricultural or mining projects which are undertaken without regard or the degradation of nature and culture.



Calendar for the Week of April 11-17

Monday	Apr. 11	——	No Mass
Tuesday	Apr. 12	8:15 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Mass in memory of Harvey Leinen Finance Council in Parish Office Meeting Room Pastoral Council in Parish office Meeting Room
Wednesday	Apr. 13	8:15 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	School Mass in memory of Pat Portwood Guild Executive Board in Parish Office Meeting Room Faith Formation Classes K-8 Theology of the Body Grades 9-12 in the Rosman Parish Center
Thursday	Apr. 14	7:00 am 12:00 noon	Scripture Study in Parish Office Meeting Room Mass in memory of Anna Marie Arkfeld
Friday	Apr. 15	8:15 am 6:00 pm	School Mass in memory of Gary Gross SCCS Drama Club play, <i>Once Upon a Tower</i> , in the Rosman Parish Center
Saturday	Apr. 16	11:00 am 4:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm	Funeral for Patrick "Pat" Finken Confessions Rosary Mass in memory of Howard Thraen and Russ Lefeber, Lois Goetzinger & Jason Nielsen
Sunday	Apr. 17	8:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Mass in memory of Leonard & Alice Fahn and Julie Goetz Mass for the people of St. Michael's Spanish Mass

Lord
I will
give you
thanks
always



Sunday Mass is televised on cable TV (HMU Channel 15 at 4:00 pm on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday, on Mediacom Channel 18 at 4:00 pm on Monday, and on FMCTC Channel 48 at 4:00 pm on Monday and Friday.)

Grant Eternal Rest, O Lord, To: — Ivo Wilwerding, brother of Jolene Blum of our parish, and Msgr. Jerry Stessman, originally from Earling.

Funeral Services — for Msgr. Jerry Stessman will be Monday, April 11, at Holy Trinity Church in Des Moines. Burial will be at 4:30 pm at St. Joseph Cemetery in Earling on that same day.

Funeral Services — for Patrick "Pat" Finken will be held on Saturday, April 16, at 11:00 at St. Michael's. Family visitation will begin at 10:15 am in the church. Patrick is the son of the late Howard and Mary Ellen Finken.

Celebrating Knighthood — Come join the Harlan Knights of Columbus on Sunday, April 24, at the 8:30 and 11:00 Masses for a memorable experience celebrating knighthood. Breakfast for the community will be served. Save the date!

Why Is Father Frost A Knight? — Read this week's bulletin insert to find out!

Benefit For Clifford Kruse — Clifford has been fighting lung cancer for the past year. A silent auction, bake sale, and meal will be held at Gooszman's Westside Lounge in Harlan beginning at noon and ending at 5:00 pm. Anyone wishing to donate for the bake sale or auction can contact Paul Kruse at 579-1914 or Virginia Kruse at 579-9169. Thanks for your prayers.

Food Pantry Collection — resulted in \$338 and many food items. West Central is planning a family community garden this summer. They could use some tools to help families produce their own fresh vegetables. If you can help, call West Central.

Remember The Sick In Your Prayers And By Your Notes Or Visits —

Jenny Schwery	Bonnie Peterson	Mary Tepe
Harry Kloewer	Kelly Gaer	Beverly Coenen
Fr. Dave Polich	Clifford Kruse	Violet Bohr
Charlie McNair	Mary Jo Law	Bernice Stracke
Keagan Bates	Frank Murtaugh	Sr. Bernice Schmitz
Trent Smith	Jose Leal	Marilyn Fox
Edgar Tunender	Martha Anastasi	

Please call the office with names of those who are sick, or in need of our prayers. And please call when their names can be removed.

Readings For The Week —

Mon.	11th	Acts 6:8-15	Jn 6:22-29
Tue.	12th	Acts 7:51—8-1a	Jn 6:30-35
Wed.	13th	Acts 8:1b-8	Jn 6:34-40
Thur.	14th	Acts 8:26-40	Jn 6:44-51
Fri.	15th	Acts 9:1-20	Jn 6:52-59
Sun.	17th	Acts 13:14, 43-52	Rev 7:9, 14b-17
			Jn 10:27-30

Titling — April 3	\$ 6,881
Needed each week	7,709
Difference	(828)
	() if deficit
Year to date	\$ (10,242)

Catholic Daughters Lifesavers Campaign — The Catholic Daughters will be at the church exits the weekend of April 16-17 to accept your donation for those women and children affected by domestic violence. All proceeds will go to the Phoenix House Shelter for abused women and children, as well as other similar shelters across Iowa. Help "Save a Life" by making a generous donation.



St. Michael's Faith Formation

WE ARE FAMILY!

Upcoming Dates —

Apr. 11	6:30 pm	Faith Formation Advisory Board Meeting at the Rectory
Apr. 13	6:30 pm	Classes K-8
	6:30 pm	Theology of the Body for 9-12 in the gym
	7:30 pm	Youth Council meeting in the gym
Apr. 20	6:30 pm	Classes K-1, 3-12
		2nd Grade First Communion Retreat with Parents in the gym
Apr. 27	6:30 pm	First Communion Practice
		Last Classes of the Year

Special Thanks — to all who helped update our video library this spring and especially to the Knights of Columbus organization for contributing funds to purchase the remainder of the videos that were not picked up by parishioners.

Registration For Faith Formation Classes 2016-2017 — Please stop by the school any Wednesday night in April from 6:30-7:30 pm to update information and pay tuition for fall. Fess are \$30 per child with a \$110 family maximum. **New Families** are welcomed and should stop in on a Wednesday night or at the rectory office during the week. We offer classes for Kindergarten through 12th grades.



"Like Us On Facebook" — Read the weekly contemplation on the Sunday Gospel. Look for notes and news as necessary. Find us at www.facebook.com/stmichaeldefenders.

Catholic Daughters Court 2498 — would like to thank all who gave so generously to the March baby shower. Your donations were taken to Gabriel's Corner, the pregnancy crisis center in Council Bluffs, and will be put to good use. Thank you!

Catholic Relief Services — envelope attached to this bulletin is for the collection that supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world.



Jubilee Year Of Mercy — Pope Francis said, "The mercy of God is not an abstract idea, but a concrete reality with which he reveals his love as that of a father or a mother moved to the very depths out of love for their child." As parents, we can be merciful with our children when they make mistakes. We say they'll learn from the experience. Do you find it difficult to extend such mercy to your peers? Why?



Vocations Corner

Seminary Visits — Fr. Joe Pins is planning to take young men considering the seminary on a tour of Conception Seminary in Missouri April 16-17. If you've been thinking about a vocation to the priesthood, contact him at 515-237-5050 and see what a day in the life of a seminarian is like.

Shelby County Catholic School News

The **SCCS Drama Club** will present their annual play on Friday, April 15, at 6:00 pm in the Rosman Parish Center. The play entitled *Once Upon a Tower* is by Eddie McPherson and produced by special arrangement with the Eldridge Publishing Company. A free-will donation will be taken at the door. Come and enjoy an evening of fun and laughter and support the SCCS Drama Club. Thanks.

Annual Diocesan Appeal Update — Good News! We have made real progress in our ADA collection. 138 donors have pledged or already given \$35,600. This is 67% of our goal of \$53,146. If you are part of that 138, thanks for your generous donations. If you have not yet made a pledge, we need your help to reach 100% of our goal. \$53,146 is our assessment. It has to be paid. Please do what you can to help us make our goal. Every contribution helps. Thanks.

Area Events —

- **Alzheimer's Support Group** will meet Monday, April 12, at 3:00 pm (note time change) in the Therikidsen Activity Center.
- **Fifteen-Decade Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, April 17, from 1:30-2:30 pm at St. Boniface in Westphalia.
- **Harlan Literary Club** will sponsor a used book sale April 8-16 at the Harlan Community Library to fund scholarships for HCHS seniors. Donations of books, audio tapes, cd's or puzzles are appreciated.
- **Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** convention will be April 30, 8:30-3:00, in Council Bluffs. See bulletin board in back of church or go to www.facebook.com/desmoinesdccw for more information.

Church, Wind & Fire — and the Sparks will lead the music next weekend at the 11:00 Mass. Music begins about 15 minutes before the start of Mass. Come and enjoy our youngest music ministers as they share their talents with their parish.

Ministry Schedule

Apr. 16-17	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
1st Lector	Elaine Sprague	Michael Rueschenberg	Bonnie Kenkel
2nd Lector	Joyce Thraen	Janice Schmitz	Makayla Tremel
Eucharistic Ministers	Connie Kohles (T) Virginia Kruse Deacon Jim DeBlauw Brian Gubbels Pam Gubbels Jan Blum Ray Chipman	Alan Kenkel (T) Jo Kenkel Deacon Jim DeBlauw Maxine Kwapiszeski Deann Irlmeier Julie Juhl Kyle Juhl	Makayla Tremel (T) Joni Larsen Deacon Jim DeBlauw Jenny Moser Jordyn Moser Brianna Boldan Michelle Custer
Servers	Mike Clemons Caitlin Clemons Jonathan Tepe	Kara Rueschenberg Mitchell Rueschenberg Kyia Rueschenberg	Keyton Francis Jared Moser Joey Moser
Musicians	Rod Carlson	Peg Lantz	Church, Wind & Fire
Cantors	John Rosman	Sarah Schumacher	Sparks
Ushers	Gerry Fremi Joe Zaccone Rodney Bengford Lisa Bengford	Tom Schmitz Bev Schmitz Chuck Buhman Ethel Defenbaugh	Gary Weihs Bill Buman Russ Chamberlain Marcus Gross, Jr.
Apr. 17	E.M. Elm Crest Jan Rau Michelle Custer	E.M. Private Homes Steve Finn Susan Finn	Money Counters Bruce Carl Kathy Carl Shelly Schmidt

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